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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA
SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 18 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Croatia (S/2000/976)

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP
ON GENERAL ISSUES ON SANCTIONS

3.30 p.m.	9th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	36th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Report of the Security Council (A/55/2) [11]

Tenth emergency special session

3 p.m.	13th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [5]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

10 a.m. 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 12 noon	16th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: Science and technology for development [92 (d)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.3

2. Environment and sustainable development [95] (A/55/95, A/55/99-E/2000/86 and A/55/357)

   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implemenation of Agenda 21 (A/55/25, A/55/78-E/2000/56, A/55/94, A/55/120, and A/55/447)

   Introduction and general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [112] (A/55/18* (Suppl. No. 18) and Add.1*, A/55/203, A/55/266, A/55/285, A/55/304, A/55/307, A/55/459)

2. Right of peoples to self-determination [113] (A/55/176 and Add.1, A/55/334)

   Introductory statements, dialogue with special rapporteurs and senior Secretariat officials and general discussion

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform and Outsourcing practices (A/55/127, A/54/866, A/55/458, A/55/301 and A/55/479))

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/55/11))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	9th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Establishment of the International Criminal Court [162] (PCNICC/2000/L.3/Rev.1, PCNICC/2000/INF/3, Add.1 and 2)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	10th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives [156] (A/55/164, Add.1 and 2)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the administration of justice

2. Executive session on management irregularities causing financial losses to the Organization

3. Draft report

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — 46th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/2000/65, E/2000/L.34)

2. Economic and environmental questions [13]

   (a) Sustainable development (E/2000/29, Suppl. No.9, E/2000/80-A/55/89, E/2000/L.32, E/2000/L.33)

3. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 42/12B [8] (E/2000/67, E/2000/85 and E/2000/79)

4. Non-governmental organizations [12] (E/2000/88 (Part I) and Add.1 and E/2000/88 (Part II) and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2 and E/2000/110, E/2000/111, E/2000/L.35, E/2000/L.36 and E/2000/L.37)

5. Elections (Postponed vacancies)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 18 October 2000

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(draft resolution on agenda item 112 (Elimination of racism and racial discrimination))

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on human settlements; desertification; El Niño; complementary of conventions; Rio + 10 review)

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

Afternoon*	closed meeting	Room to be announced

* Following the adjournment of the 13th plenary meeting of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly.

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There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee) *today*, 18 October 2000, from 9 a.m. to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be meetings of the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 18 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6. p.m. in Conference Room B.

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The Expert Group Meeting on Policy Responses to Population Ageing and Population Decline will continue *today*, 18 October 2000, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The meeting is organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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There will be a meeting of the African Group (First Committee experts) *today*, 18 October 2000, immediately following the 17th meeting of the First Committee, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 4, to discuss the venue for the 2001 United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing jointly with the World Trade Organization (WTO) a Workshop on International Trade Negotiations as part of the International Trade Series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from *today*, 18 October 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Informal consultations

The Vice-Chairperson of the Third Committee, Ms. Paterson (New Zealand), will hold informal consultations on a text of the Chairperson's draft resolution under agenda item 108 *today*, 18 October 2000, from 10.15 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum *today*, 18 October 2000, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Forum will be addressed by Her Majesty Queen Silvia of Sweden, who will present the work of the World Childhood Foundation. Participants are asked to be seated by 10.45 a.m. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing for the members of the Group of 77 and China by the Managing Director of the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, Mr. Per Rydan. Mr. T. Shibata, Assistant President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, Department of Economic Policy and Resource Strategy, will also participate. The briefing will be take place *today*, 18 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Announcement

As from Tuesday, 3 October 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 19 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m. 37th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion [31]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/300 and Add.1 and 2)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.9)

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	informal consultations (cloed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	11th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	12th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects)

Informal consultations of interested delegations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects) will be held on Thursday, 19 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Wednesday, 25 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 114 (Human rights questions), beginning on Tuesday, 24 October 2000, as follows:

On Tuesday, 24 October, following the Committee's dialogue with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mrs. Mary Robinson: Mr. Kamal Hossain (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions);

On Wednesday, 25 October, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on the question of religious intolerance); Mr. Arjun K. Sengupta (Independent expert on the right to development); Mr. Leonardo Franco (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan); Mr. Adama Dieng (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti). At 3 p.m.: Mr. Roberto Garreton (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Andreas Mavrommatis (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq);

On Thursday, 26 October, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Nigel Rodley (Special Rapporteur on the question of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment); Mr. Rajsoomer Lallah (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mrs. Marie-Therese Keita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi);

On Friday, 27 October, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Jiri Dienstbier (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro);

On Wednesday, 1 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran), and Mr. Michel Moussalli (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Rwanda).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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The Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects will hold an informal inter-sessional meeting on Friday, 20 October 2000, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to continue the consideration of the issues before the Preparatory Committee.

All States, as well as specialized agencies, other relevant intergovernmental organisations and relevant entities, having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and in the work of the General Assembly are invited to participate in the above meeting.

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The 2000 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2000 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held in two segments.

The joint opening of both Pledging Conferences will take place on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 10 a.m., to be followed by the segment devoted to the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities. The second meeting devoted to this segment will take place on Thursday, 2 November, at 10 a.m.

The segment devoted to the 2000 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be convened on Wednesday, 1 November, at 3 p.m.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to both pledging conferences to the Secretary of the Pledging Conferences, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950G; tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 5973).

The list of speakers for both Pledging Conferences will be open from Thursday, 26 October, to Tuesday, 31 October. Delegations wishing to be inscribed for one or both pledging conferences are requested to contact the Secretariat (Mr. A. De Barros or Ms. L. Bawar (tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 3-5973; fax: (212) 963-5935; room S-2950G)).

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ECCONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, H.E. Mr. David Stuart (Australia), will hold a briefing on the outcome of the second meeting of the Bureau of the ninth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (Cesky Krumlov, 6-7 October 2000), on Thursday, 19 October, after the adjournment of the afternoon meeting of the Second Committee in Conference Room 2. All interested delegations, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations of the Non-aligned Movement on Thursday, 19 October 2000, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room E.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on human settlements; desertification; El Niño; complementarity of conventions; Rio + 10 review)* on Thursday, 19 October 2000, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be meetings of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee on Thursday, 26, and Friday, 27 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1. p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors and potential co-sponsors of the First Committee draft resolution on small arms (A/C.1/55/L.28), organized by the delegation of Japan, on Thursday, 19 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 2 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Friday, 27 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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Briefings

At the request of interested delegations, Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, will hold an informal briefing on the latest developments in the framework of the Convention and give an update on the preparations for the Fourth Conference of the Parties (Bonn, 11-22 December 2000). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 19 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, will take place on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues: climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation.

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Panel discussion

The International NGO Committee on Human Rights will host a panel discussion on "Mandate and Mainstreaming of the Work of the Thematic Special Representatives and Rapporteurs" on Wednesday, 25 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 17 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

35th plenary meeting

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: third report of the General Committee (A/55/250/Add.2) [8]

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session an additional item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons" and to consider the additional item directly in plenary meeting.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session an additional item entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit" and to consider the additional item directly in plenary meeting.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session an additional item entitled "Peace, security and reunification on the Korean peninsula" and to consider the additional item directly in plenary meeting.

Report of the Security Council (A/55/2) [11]

The representative of Namibia, in his capacity as President of the Security Council, made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Security Council (A/55/2).

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, Ukraine, India, Germany, China, Colombia, Italy, Senegal, Cuba, Brazil, Peru, Bahrain, Viet Nam, Malaysia, Japan, Costa Rica, Singapore, Australia, Mexico and France.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 182 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit) would be held on Friday, 27 October, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 16th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81

The Committee continued its second stage of work (thematic discussion on item subjects; introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81).

The representative of Germany introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.15

The representative of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.47.

The representative of Nepal made a comment pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.38.

The representative of India introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.30.

The representative of Algeria introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.27.

The representative of Mongolia made a comment pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.40.

The representative of South Africa introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.38.

The representative of Australia made a comment pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.38.

The representative of Brazil (on behalf of MERCOSUR) made a comment pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.38.

The representative of the Philippines made a comment pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.40.

The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Dhanapala, made an introductory statement on the medium-term plan (A/55/6 (Prog. 2), A/55/16 (Part 1) and A/C.1/55/CRP.3).

The representative of Mexico made a comment on the medium-term plan.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE 13th meeting

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [83]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, India, Malaysia, Israel, Colombia, Cuba, Indonesia, Japan, the United States, Slovakia, Saudi Arabia, Peru, the Syrian Arab Republic and Chile (on behalf of member countries of MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay), as well as Bolivia and Chile).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SECOND COMMITTEE 15th meeting

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources [98] (A/55/84-E/2000/16)

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia made an introductory statement

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, Bahrain, Jordan, the Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen and Israel.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Right of reply

The observer for Palestine made a statement in exercise of his right of reply.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 98.

THIRD COMMITTEE 25th meeting

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [111]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of China, Venezuela, Ukraine, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Guatemala.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Labour Organisation and the World Bank.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement on the organization of the Committee's work.

Other matters

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba, to which the Secretary of the Committee responded.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 14th meeting

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [119]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

A statement on the current financial situation of the United Nations was delivered by the Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services, Mr. Toshiyuki Niwa, on behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Management, Mr. Joseph E. Connor.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), France (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Liechtenstein), Norway, Mozambique, the Philippines (on behalf of the ASEAN countries), Malaysia, the United States, Singapore, China, India, Japan, Cuba, Argentina, Algeria, Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia) and Italy.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management replied to questions raised.

The Chairman made a statement.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this item.

Procurement reform (A/55/127, A/54/866 and A/55/458)

Outsourcing practices (A/55/301 and A/55/479)

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Turkey, the United States, Mexico, India and the Philippines.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these questions would begin the following day, 18 October, in the morning, under the chairmanship of Mr. Michiel Crom (Netherlands).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Seventieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2000
1870th and 1871st meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties undr article 40 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee considered the third and fourth periodic reports of Trinidad and Tobago (CCPR/C/TTO/99/3).

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. New York, 7 March 1966

Declaration under article 14 of the Convention: Belgium (10 October 2000)*

Declaration under article 14 of the Convention: Czech Republic (11 October 2000)*

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Declaration under articles 21 and 22 of the Convention: Cameroon (12 October 2000)*

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Accession: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (25 September 2000)*

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (25 September 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (22 September 2000)*

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Accession: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (22 September 2000)*

International Convention Against the Recruitment, Use, Financing and Training of Mercenaries. New York, 4 December 1989

Accession: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (22 September 2000)*

Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles. Geneva, 25 June 1998

Acceptance: China (10 October 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Food Day 2000

An observance of World Food Day 2000, under the theme "A Millenium Free From Hunger" will take place *today*, 18 October 2000, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (immediately upon the adjournment of the 16th meeting of the Second Committee). Statements will be made by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Harri Holkeri, who will deliver the keynote address, as well as by the Secretary-General, the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Makarim Wibisono and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Mr. Jacques Diouf. All interested delegations, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations Funds and Programmes, the specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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DPI/NGO Briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO Briefing will be "World Space Week and the Contributions of Space to Sustainable Development". The briefing will be held on Thursday, 19 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 11.30 am. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The briefing is organized by the Department of Public Information. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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Award ceremony

The Fourth Annual Race Against Poverty Awards ceremony, under the theme "Breaking the silence on HIV/AIDS", will take place on Monday, 23 October 2000, at 6 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall. Mr. Danny Glover, UNDP Goodwill Ambassador, will be the Master of Ceremonies. The Secretary-General will award four activists for their action against HIV/AIDS. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please call Mr. Zakaria Fellah (tel.: (212) 906-5382).

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Special events

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will host an Open House and Information Fair for delegates and staff of the permanent missions and the Secretariat on Tuesday, 24 October 2000, United Nations Day 2000, from 12 noon to 3 p.m. There will be demonstrations of the Library's newest product, UNBISnet, an Internet accessible database containing the index to all United Nations documentation issued since 1979. In addition, there will be demonstrations of other electronic resources, such as UN-I-QUE, Lexis-Nexis, the EIU databases, Oxford Analytica, NewsEdge.

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The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights will hold a special event in connection with the World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance on Tuesday, 24 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Major participants in this event will be human rights leaders from the United States of America, Goodwill Ambassadors for the World Conference and Mr. Saikou Diallo. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Exhibit

An exhibit of photographs entitled "Ending Rural Poverty: A challenge for the 21st century", sponsored by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) will be on display until 31 October 2000 in the south corner of the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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